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Explore the history of early settlers as you make your way along the Peaceful Prairies tour. This path is full of unforgettable experiences that'll deepen your understanding of Nebraska's

history and show you a good time! So pick a few stops you can do in one day and enjoy the scenery on the rest of the route.

Take a journey exploring the history of the Great Plains and the hearty pioneers who settled there. At the [Sod House Museum](#) in Gothenburg, learn how pioneers survived and thrived without trees. The [Gallagher Canyon State Recreation Area](#) near Cozad is a great place to get in touch with the great outdoors and spend a night under the stars. For kids both big and small who love cars and planes, the [Heartland Museum of Military Vehicles](#) in Lexington displays an impressive collection of military equipment and machinery.

The [Nebraska Prairie Museum](#) in Holdrege features several historical buildings and an impressive collection of POW items. Plan a shopping excursion at Holbrook's [GROW Nebraska](#) store, where you can purchase locally made and Nebraska-made crafts, products, and souvenirs. The [Museum of the High Plains](#) in McCook boasts a number of fine exhibits including pioneer artifacts from the late 1800s, historic photographs, and more.

Route Directions

Start in North Platte

37 miles east on US-30 to Gothenburg

13 miles east on US-30 to Cozad

19 miles east on US-30 to Lexington

41 miles east on US-30, south on US-183 to Holdrege

39 miles west on US-6 to Holbrook

35 miles west on US-6 to McCook